

The Honorable William "Bill" Edwards, Mayor (present)

The Honorable Catherine F. Rowell, District 1, Mayor Pro Tem (present)

The Honorable Carmalitha Gumbs, District 2 Councilmember (present)

The Honorable Helen Z. Willis, District 3 Councilmember (present)

The Honorable Naeema Gilyard, District 4 Councilmember (present)

The Honorable Rosie Jackson, District 5 Councilmember (present)

The Honorable khalid kamau, District 6 Councilmember (present)

The Honorable Mark Baker, District 7 Councilmember (present)

WORK SESSION AGENDA

1. Review of the June 13, 2017 Regular Meeting Agenda

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Edwards at 5:00pm.

City Attorney representative Brian Lake began with an explanation regarding the Resolution pertaining to Comcast.

a. A motion was made by Councilmember Willis and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rowell to move Res2017-026 (Comcast) to the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Edwards requested that Res2017-030 (Intergovernmental Agreement/IGA with Fulton County) be moved to Executive Session. Hearing no objections, it was so ordered.

- b. A motion was made by Councilmember khalid and seconded by Councilmember Gilyard to amend the effective date of Ord2017-008 (Business and Occupation Taxation Ordinance) to October 1, 2017. The motion passed unanimously.
- c. A motion was made by Councilmember Baker and seconded by Councilmember Gumbs to move Ord2017-008 (Business and Occupation Taxation Ordinance) to the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.
- d. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Rowell and seconded by Councilmember Willis to move Ord2017-009 (Excise Taxation of Adult Beverages) to the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.
- e. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Rowell and seconded by Councilmember Jackson to set the compensation for the Planning Commission appointees, up to \$155/month for two meetings, the same as it is currently with Fulton County. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Edwards cautioned everyone to make sure that the rules/requirements for compensation be enforced.

- f. A motion was made by Councilmember khalid and seconded by Councilmember Gilyard to amend the term of the Planning Commission appointees from no more than two (2) terms to no more than three (3) terms, consecutive or nonconsecutive. The motion passed unanimously.
- g. A motion was made by Councilmember khalid and seconded by Councilmember Baker to amend the role of the Mayor's appointee with respect to Ord2017-010 (Planning Commission),

Ord2017-011 (Zoning Board of Appeals) and Ord2017-12 (Code Enforcement Board), whereby the Mayor's appointee only votes in the case of a tie. The motion passed unanimously.

- h. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Rowell and seconded by Councilmember Gumbs to automatically terminate an appointees term/seat on any of the three (3) Boards referenced above if an appointee misses three (3) consecutive meetings or if they miss a total of 75% of the meetings within a calendar year. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.
- i. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Rowell and seconded by Councilmember Willis to amend the language requiring basic Building Code standards for apartment complexes with steel framing construction (Ord2017-013). Councilmember khalid made a friendly amendment to amend it to only buildings over three (3) stories. The friendly amendment was not accepted. Mayor Pro Tem Rowell, and Councilmembers Gumbs, Willis, Jackson and Baker voted yea. Councilmembers Gilyard and khalid voted no.
- 2. Other discussion

None

Mayor Edwards adjourned the Work Session at 6:13pm.



DIVIDER SHEET



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The Honorable Helen Z. Willis, District 3 Councilmember (present)

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Mayor Edwards at 7:00pm.

2. Invocation

The Invocation was rendered by Pastor Warren L. Henry, Chaplain.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge was recited in unison.

- 4. Approval of the Consent Agenda
 - a. Meeting Minutes Tuesday, June 13, 2017
 - b. Meeting Minutes Tuesday, June 20, 2017
 - c. Proclamations
 - i. 100th Birthday Celebration of Mrs. Katie Sue Dennis Wimbish - Centenarian (Edwards)

A motion was made by Councilmember Gilyard and seconded by Councilmember Willis to approve the Consent Agenda as amended, including Res2017-026, Ord2017-008 and Ord2017-009. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Approval of the Regular Meeting Agenda

A motion was made by Councilmember Willis and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rowell to approve the Regular Meeting Agenda as amended, to include moving the IGA Res2017-030 to the Executive Session regarding Real Estate, Personnel and Litigation. The motion passed unanimously.

- 6. Proclamations and Recognitions
 - a. Proclamation recognizing Pastor Warren L. Henry Sr. Appreciation Day. (Willis)

PRESENTED

 b. Proclamation recognizing Gary Davis – Next Level Boys Academy Appreciation Day. (Baker)

PRESENTED

- 7. Public Comment
 - a. Speakers will be granted up to two minutes each and public comment will not exceed 30 minutes. Speakers will not be allowed to yield or donate their time to other speakers.

The following speakers offered public comment:

- College Park Councilman Joe Carnes (Congratulations and mutual aid, selecting a Police Chief, and church/worship)
- Ms. Ranada Robinson (Congratulations, commitment to partner with the City and Alpha Kappa Alpha Tau Epsilon Omega chapter programs and services)
- Mr. Frederick Vann (volunteer work and trash needs to be picked up in the City)
- Mr. Michael Venable (Planning & Community Development injustices, with respect to Zoning & Appeals boards (both should be advisory in nature), appointees need to come from the respective Districts)
- Ms. Melissia Patterson (trash problem on exit 66 Flat Shoals and on Old National, lawn grooming needed)
- Mr. Marcus Coleman (partnering with the City of Union City on the Hapeville Charter Academy practice facility for safety of youth athletes, Union and Butner Road crossing where a flashing light is needed, and in preparation of the new police department be proactive about vetting process to include psych evaluations)
- 8. Business
 - a. Resolutions
 - Resolution approving a cable television franchise agreement between the City of South Fulton and Comcast of Georgia/Michigan, LP (Res2017-026); and,

APPROVED UNDER CONSENT AGENDA

ii. Resolution approving the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the City of South Fulton and Fulton County (Res2017-030).

DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

b. Ordinances

 i. Adoption of Business and Occupation Taxation Ordinance (Ord2017-008); [THIRD READING]

APPROVED UNDER CONSENT AGENDA, AMENDING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ORDINANCE TO OCTOBER 1, 2017

ii. Adoption of Excise Taxation of Adult Beverages
Ordinance (Ord2017-009); [SECOND READING]

APPROVED UNDER CONSENT AGENDA

iii. Adoption of Ordinance establishing the Planning Commission for the City of South Fulton (Ord2017-010); [FIRST READING]

PRESENTED

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Rowell and seconded by Councilmember Gumbs to align the Planning Commission attendance requirements with the Zoning Board of Appeals attendance requirements as stated by Counsel, "any member cannot miss three (3) consecutive meetings or 75% of the meetings in a calendar year." The motion passed unanimously.

In addition, appointees will have three (3) consecutive or nonconsecutive terms, to run concurrent with the term of the appointing Mayor or Councilmember, similar to the terms on the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Code Enforcement Board.

> iv. Adoption of Ordinance establishing the Zoning Board of Appeals for the City of South Fulton (Ord2017-011); [FIRST READING]

PRESENTED

v. Adoption of Ordinance establishing the Code Enforcement Board for the City of South Fulton (Ord2017-012); [FIRST READING] and,

PRESENTED

Councilmember khalid inquired whether Code Enforcement matters can be heard by the Municipal Court. The City Attorney advised that the Building Commission could decide certain issues of variance or waiver pertaining to the Building Code, much like the Planning Commission can do with the Zoning Code.

vi. Adoption of Ordinance establishing Building Regulations (Ord2017-013). [FIRST READING]

PRESENTED

Mayor Edwards requests that something needs to be included around the issue of recidivism on the reoccurring violations and the attractive nuisances (vacant and boarded-up houses), without passing the costs onto the taxpayers.

Mayor Pro Tem Rowell requested the Attorney to look at commercial properties, specifically with changes in property ownership to avert appearing as a repeat offender.

Mayor Edwards would like to have a rental inspection program that charges landlords/owners a fee to be on a list, especially the owners who fix up multiple dwelling places and rent them out. This program will also help the code inspectors with respect to locating the actual owners.

Councilmember Jackson would like to see an Ordinance with respect to a dwelling that is deemed uninhabitable, so that the City will not be liable for relocation services.

9. City Manager's Weekly Update

The City Manager gave a verbal report highlighting certain aspects of a more detailed written report that was submitted to Council; including kudos to her staff for their work performance to date; a meeting with Fulton County COO Todd Long to discuss the asset list;

a need for permitting and code enforcement historical data; a review of applications received for advertised positions; a speaking engagement to the graduating class of the Fire department; information technology needs and specs; advertising of RFPs on the website; the overall Planning staff transition; migrating over data and processes needed for Planning; activities with respect to video-recording of Council meetings; future new hires in the areas of communications and purchasing; 2018 budget pre-planning; LOST revenue expected on Friday, June 30; six individuals from Planning have met with HR staff to coordinate transitioning over to the City; and, she recognized the award recently received by Anquilla Henderson, Associate HR Director, for receiving a 2017 Top 25 Workforce Game Changer award.

- 10. Other (New) Business
- 11. Mayor and City Council Comments

All Councilmembers made announcements or statements regarding activities held or upcoming in their respective districts.

Whereupon a motion was made by Councilmember Willis and seconded by Councilmember Jackson to adjourn for Executive Session. Hearing no objection that motion passed. The meeting recessed at 8:32pm.

12. Executive Session (CLOSED), if necessary

An Executive Session was held regarding Real Estate, Personnel and Litigation.

a. A motion was made by Mayor Edwards and seconded by Councilmember Gumbs to close the Executive Session regarding Real Estate, Personnel and Litigation. Hearing no objection that motion passed.

The following actions were reported in public, upon adjournment of the Executive Session:

- b. A motion was made by Councilmember Willis and seconded by Councilmember Baker to approve the IGA between the City of South Fulton and Fulton County. The motion passed unanimously.
- c. A motion was made by Councilmember Willis and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Rowell to direct the City Manager to complete a plan with all activities and timelines for the transition of Police over to the City, along with the City Attorney preparing a draft transmittal letter addressed to the County indicating the City's interest to transition Police services. The motion passed unanimously.
- d. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Rowell and seconded by Councilmember Gumbs to direct the City Manager to develop a plan with proposed dates for the transition of all departments over to the City. The motion passed unanimously.
- e. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Rowell and seconded by Councilmember Gumbs to direct the City Manager/HR to prepare a pay & scale report for all those positions currently being advertised for presentation at the July 11 Work Session. The motion passed unanimously.
- f. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Rowell and seconded by Councilmember Jackson to request a recommendation from HR regarding the best approach for recruiting the Police Chief position and development of a job description for presentation at the July 11 Work Session. A friendly amendment was made by Councilmember khalid to include a recommendation for recruitment of the City Manager position and development of a job description. The friendly amendment was accepted. Councilmembers Gumbs, Gilyard, Jackson and khalid voted yea. Mayor Pro Tem Rowell, Councilmember Willis and Baker voted no. The motion passed.

g. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Rowell and seconded by Councilmember Gumbs to utilize funding through the IGA to have someone from the County's Police Department to serve in the capacity of City Commander or to work directly with the City and be named by the City. Mayor Pro Tem Rowell, and Councilmembers Gumbs, Willis and Jackson voted yea. Councilmembers Gilyard, khalid and Baker voted no. The motion passed.

13. Adjournment

Mayor Edwards entertained a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Councilmember Baker and seconded by Councilmember khalid to adjourn. Hearing no objections, the meeting adjourned at 10:26pm.

